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## Mother Sentenced to Prison for Abandoning Baby in Compton

A 33-year-old woman was sentenced today to 14 years in state prison for deserting her newborn baby near a Compton riverbed, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

At today's court appearance, Porche Laronda Washington pleaded no contest to attempted murder in case TA138783. The defendant also admitted a special allegation that she committed great bodily injury on a child under six years old.

Deputy District Attorney Adrian Roxas, who prosecuted the case, said on Nov. 27, 2015, a three-day old baby girl was found abandoned in a hole near a Compton riverbed.

Law enforcement immediately began an investigation into the desertion and a week later identified a person of interest through the assistance of tips from the public, the prosecutor said.

On Dec. 3, 2015, Washington was arrested in connection with the crime and subsequently charged.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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